

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

IN RE:
AMICUS BRIEFS

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MISC. NO. 00-308

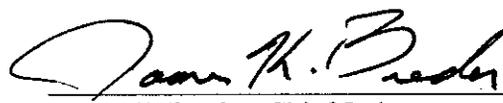
STANDING ORDER 2018-07

It is hereby ORDERED by the United States District Court for the District of Maryland that the following procedures are adopted with regard to amicus briefs:

1. The United States or its officer or agency or a state may file an amicus brief without the consent of the parties or leave of court. Any other amicus curiae may file a brief only by submitting a motion to obtain leave of court.
2. The motion must be accompanied by the proposed brief and state:
 - a. the movant's interest;
 - b. the reason why an amicus brief is desirable and why the matters asserted are relevant to the disposition of the case;
 - c. which party's filing the brief supports, if any;
 - d. whether a party's counsel authored the brief in whole or part; and
 - e. whether a party or its counsel contributed money to fund the preparation and/or submission of the brief.
3. The brief shall be no more than 15 pages and otherwise comply with Local Rules 102.2 (format of court documents), 105.1(a) (electronic filing), 105.4 (table of contents, when required), and 105.5 (appendix, when required).
4. The Court will not consider amici requests for relief that are different from or in addition to the relief, if any, requested by the party whose brief the amici supports.

5. The motion and accompanying proposed brief must be filed, except with permission of the Court, no later than seven days after the principal brief of the party being supported, or, if it is not filed in support of a party's filing, then within seven days of the opening brief.
6. Amici will not file a reply unless requested by the Court.
7. Amici may not participate in any oral argument, hearings or conference calls unless requested by the Court.
8. If the amicus curiae is a corporation, it must file a disclosure statement like that required of parties by Local Rule 103.3(a).

December 12, 2018
Date


James K. Bredar, Chief Judge
United States District Court